GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

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PCOS IN U.P.
BRIJLAL KHABRI

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the norms being adopted for the allotment of PCOs;

(b) the number of PCOs functioning at present in Uttar Pradesh;

(c) whether the Government have fixed any target for the allotment of PCO`s in Uttar Pradesh during 1999-2000 and 2000-2001;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to achieve the target?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Sir, PCOs are allotted to all the eligible persons on `first come, first served` basis as per their registration.

(b) 69542 PCOs are functioning in Uttar Pradesh (including Uttaranchal State) as on 31.10.2000.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. The targets fixed for Uttar Pradesh (including Uttaranchal State) are given below:-

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Year 1999-2000  -  11,400
Year 2000-2001  - 15,000
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(e) The targets fixed for the year 1999-2000 have been fully achieved. During 2000-2001, 9873 PCOs have been installed up to 31.10.2000. Planning and procurement actions have been initiated for installation of the remaining PCOs by 31.3.2001.